IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-73. (Cancelled)

- 74. (New) A composite material comprising:
- a. a material comprising a welding fabric welded to a first substrate, wherein said welding fabric comprises a welding portion and a fixing portion, wherein said welding portion includes a material which melts under hot pressing conditions and said fixing portion is provided with auxiliary fixing means;
 - b. wherein said fixing portion contains auxiliary

fixing means comprising holes bored into the fixing portion or straps attached to the fixing portion through which a rope or cord is threaded;

c. wherein the welding portion extends across part

of the width of the welding fabric; and

- d. a second substrate to which said material is fixed by said auxiliary fixing means.
 - 75. (New) A composite material comprising:
 - a. a material comprising a welding fabric welded

to a first substrate, wherein said welding fabric comprises a welding portion and a fixing portion, wherein



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said welding portion includes a material which melts under hot pressing conditions and said fixing portion is provided with auxiliary fixing means;

- b. wherein said fixing portion contains auxiliary fixing means comprising holes bored into the fixing portion or straps attached to the fixing portion through which a rope or cord is threaded;
 - c. wherein the welding portion is at each end of

the width of the welding fabric; and

d. a second substrate to which said material is

fixed by said auxiliary fixing means.

- 76. (New) A composite material comprising:
- a. a material comprising a welding fabric welded to a first substrate, wherein said welding fabric comprises a welding portion and a fixing portion, wherein said welding portion includes a material which melts under hot pressing conditions and said fixing portion is provided with auxiliary fixing means;
 - b. wherein said fixing portion contains auxiliary

fixing means comprising holes bored into the fixing portion or straps attached to the fixing portion through which a rope or cord is threaded;



- c. wherein the welding portion is in the middle portion of the welding fabric; and
- d. a second substrate to which said material is fixed by said auxiliary fixing means.
 - 77. (New) A composite material comprising:
- a. a material comprising a welding fabric welded to a first substrate, wherein said welding fabric comprises a welding portion and a fixing portion wherein said welding portion includes a material which melts under hot pressing conditions and said fixing portion is provided with auxiliary fixing means;
 - b. wherein said auxiliary fixing means is provided

with straps through which a rope can be threaded;

c. wherein the welding portion is in the middle of

the welding fabric; and

- d. a second substrate to which said material is fixed by said auxiliary fixing means.
 - 78. (New) A composite material comprising:
- a. a material comprising a welding fabric welded to a first substrate, wherein said welding fabric comprises a welding portion and a fixing portion, wherein

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said welding portion includes a material which melts under hot pressing conditions and said fixing portion is provided with auxiliary fixing means;

b. wherein said auxiliary fixing means is provided

with straps through which a rope can be threaded;

- c. wherein the welding portion is at each end of the welding fabric; and
- d. a second substrate to which said material is fixed by said auxiliary fixing means.
 - 79. (New) A composite material comprising:
- a. a material comprising a welding fabric welded to a first substrate, wherein said welding fabric comprises a welding portion and a fixing portion' wherein said welding portion includes a material which melts under hot pressing conditions and said fixing portion is provided with auxiliary fixing means;
 - b. wherein said auxiliary fixing means is provided

with straps through which a rope can be threaded;

- c. wherein the welding portion extends across part
- of the width of the welding fabric; and
 - d. a second substrate to which said material is

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fixed to said auxiliary fixing means.